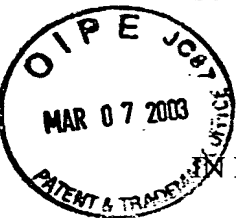


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FOR: TONER, DEVELOPER AND CONTAINER FOR THE
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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action of November 7, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

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Please cancel Claims 18 and 19.

Please amend the claims as shown on the marked-up copy to read as follows:

1. (Amended) An electrophotographic toner comprising at least a binder resin, a colorant, and a resin negative charge control agent,

wherein said binder resin is a polyester and/or a polyol, and

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